



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL  
MIDDLETOWN CONNECTICUT  
MAY 4, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown was held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on Monday, May 4, 2015 at 7 p.m.

**Present**

Mayor Daniel T. Drew, Deputy Mayor Robert P. Santangelo and Council Members Thomas J. Serra, Mary A. Bartolotta, Hope Kasper, Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Carl R. Chisem, Gerald E. Daley, James B. Streeto, Sebastian N. Giuliano, Sandra Russo Driska, Deborah Kleckowski and David Bauer; Corporation Counsel Daniel B. Ryan; Sergeant-at-arms Police Officer Haddad; and Common Council Clerk Marie O. Norwood.

**Also Present**

Forty Members of the Public.

**1. Mayor calls meeting to order at 7 p.m.**

A. (Pledge of Allegiance)

The Chair asks the DECA students to lead the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. (Council Clerk Reads the Call of the Meeting and Mayor declares call a legal call and meeting a legal meeting.)

The Chair declares the call a legal call and the meeting a legal meeting at 7:04 p.m.

**2. Accept/Amend the Agenda.**

Councilman Thomas J. Serra moves to amend the Agenda by substituting agenda item, 12, adding the name of Cheryl Jackson to the Youth Service Bureau Advisory Board and removing Maria Bergan from the Long Hill Estate Authority as she is resigning. Substitute the agenda to correct 10A as there is a typo on the 466 contract; the dates should read from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017. Councilman Carl R. Chisem seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is unanimous to amend the agenda with 12 aye votes. The chair states the matter passes unanimously with 12 affirmative votes.

**3. Presentations**

A. Congratulating DECA Students (will know next Thursday if this will be on agenda)

**Resolution No.45-15**

**File Name**

**(Approved)**

**WHEREAS**, the Middletown High School DECA team had twenty eight students attending the 69<sup>th</sup> annual DECA International Career Development Conference in Orlando, Florida. Twenty five students competed with 16 students recognized in the top 20% in world honors; four students earning a finalist top 20 worldwide recognition and four students earning medals as #1 worldwide in their respective role play case study scenario for their competition group.

**WHEREAS**, the International Conference has more than 18,000 attendees participating from the United States, Canada, Mexico, China, Korea, Germany, Japan and other nations, the best in their respective State, Territory or Nation, competing in over 50 events related to Marketing, Management, Finance, and Hospitality; competed in written testing and performing case-study presentations; and

**WHEREAS**, DECA students Devra Baxter, Benjamin Lanza, Victoria Schaff and Erin Hughes earned finalist top 20 international medals, Devra Baxter, Benjamin Lanza, Cameron Steadman and Stephanie Giardina won medals for being best worldwide in their role play case study grouping;and

**WHEREAS**, the top 20% world honor awards were achieved by Isabel Gambel, Amy Kozlowski, Nicole Onas, Lena Santoro, Katherine Connelly, Alyssa LaRosa, Zachary Fitzner, Kierah Parker, Ramon Yang, Cameron Steadman, Maxine Philavong, Erin Hughes, Victoria Schaff, Devra Baxter, Benjamin Lanza and Stephanie Giardina.

**WHEREAS**, three students successfully graduated from two-day rigorous learning academies, Christopher Rodo, Shannon Durfee and Alexandria Palmer.

**WHEREAS**, the DECA students won 39 awards at the 63<sup>rd</sup> DECA State Competition where they outperformed students in over 42 schools competing in events relating to careers, problem solving, marketing, finance, business law, management, hospitality and entrepreneurship. The typical event has 20 to 25 student competitors; and

**WHEREAS**, MHS DECA students have nine first place medals awarded to Erika Diaz, Ben Lanza, Devra Baxter, Cameron Steadman, Maxine Philavong, Katherine Connelly, Alyssa LaRosa, Ramon Yang and Lily Zhao; second place winners were Nicole Onas, Lena Santoro, Victoria Schaff, Erin Hughes, Jared Pflaumer, Thomas DiMauro, Christopher Connelly, Cassidy Zanette, Marisa Bishop, Nick Brenchak, Kierah Parker, Isabel Gamble and Amy Kozlowski; third place winners are Zachary Fitzner, Yan Zhao, Matthew Dagenais, Saket Pandit and Daniel Botti; and

**WHEREAS**, the top six medalists were Stephanie Giardina, John Doherty, Alexandria Palmer, Marvin Whittaker, Shannon Durfee, Taylor Swanson, Anna Grigorowicz, Rachel Angle, Christopher Rodo, Danielle Salazar, and Christina Santostefano; and

**WHEREAS**, David Reynolds, DECA advisor, and Mike Awdziejewicz, founder of the DECA Program, work with each student to improve their ability to pass rigorous tests, speak clearly and powerfully, and solve problems in their areas of interest; the DECA students prepare for the competition after the normal school day; and

**WHEREAS**, Middletown DECA was recognized at the international conference awards banquet as one of the top chapters in the world for the fourth consecutive year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:** That we congratulate the DECA Team for their outstanding work, at the State and International Conferences; we are proud of all the students in DECA for their efforts and accomplishments; they are true ambassadors for their City and School; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That we wish all the students success in their future endeavors; their efforts and awards from the DECA Conferences will serve them well in their chosen careers.

The chair has the DECA students come forward with their trophies. Councilman Serra states he is honored to read the resolution. This is the last time for Mr. Awdziejewicz and it is a special time to read this as he is retiring. Councilman Serra and Councilwoman Kleckowski read it. Councilman Serra moves it for approval and is seconded by Councilman Giuliano. The Chair states, without objection, the resolution is approved by acclamation.

Councilman Serra states it is a great evening to see these individuals for the 25th time and to see their success after they leave here. It is incredible to see it. Great job to Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Awdziejewicz. Councilwoman Kleckowski is proud of the team. You are a stellar group; and you are the leaders of tomorrow and she invites them to come back to the Council so they can see your endeavors. She thanks Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Awdziejewicz for their work with the students. Congratulations. Nice Job.

The Chair states the principal is here and thanks her for being here. Congratulations; he was fortunate to be a guest judge and these students what they do is incredible. What they do is incredible and one example was the development of a cruise line from Spain to the east coast and it included a marketing plan and how it would fit into today's market. The impressive part is they don't know the questions they will be asked and respond to them on the spot with detailed responses. It is an extraordinary program.

Mr. Reynolds states he is incredibly honored to be here. The kids do work hard and he is proud for all their efforts. He touches on a few of the students and asks them to step forward as he states their names. He introduces the winners to the Council. They are hard workers. Mr. Awdziejewicz comes forward to express his pride in the students. He is lost for words. He thanks the Council for their support. He has worked under three different Mayors. They all have sat on the advisory board. He thanks the School administration and Board of Education. He has been involved with the program for 42 years. The students do a lot of service for the community. We have students who intern; 56 students in 32 businesses in Middlesex County. Thank you all for a great run. It is time to move on and thanks Mr. Reynolds for his hard work. This is his 13th year with the program and has done a remarkable job the last two years. He thanks Tom and Deborah for presenting the resolution. Thank you very much.

Councilman Faulkner congratulates the DECA group. He had a young man come back through town from graduating from College with a degree with chemical engineering. Our young people are doing great things and he asks when they achieve something to come back and tell the young people.

**4. Mayor requests motion to approve minutes of:**

The minutes having been deposited with the Mayor and Corporation Counsel and copies of the same having been served on each and every Council member, the reading of the same having been dispensed with, the Chair requests a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 6, 2015 at 7 p.m., Special Meeting of April 6, 2015 at 6 p.m., Special Meeting of April 9, 2015 at 7 p.m. and the Public Hearing of April 28, 2015 at 7 p.m. Councilman Serra moves them for approval and his Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. Councilman Serra abstains from the vote on the minutes of April 9, 2015 at 7 p.m. It is 11 aye votes by Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska, Councilman David Bauer; 0 nay votes; one abstention on the minutes of April 9 by Councilman Serra. The Chair states the matters carry with the noted abstention.

**5. Public Hearing on Agenda Items Opens.**

Simba Vestergard and Kimba Adams address the Council on the letter left in their box. She has worked as a crossing guard for 14 years; Vestergard for 25 years; Debbie Marceaux worked for 15 years; Loretta Dzialo and worked for the City for 20 years; Maria Paine and worked for 15 years; Joanne Neal worked for City for 23 years. Three guards retired in 2004 and 2009. They would like their insurance reinstated and would receive the benefit after 15 years of City service. A crossing

guard needs to retire and her parents need her care. It appears the free medical benefits are not available to me and it comes as a shock to me and the other crossing guards. They do not want to be left in the same predicament that she is in. The tenth crossing guard was not offered the benefit when she was hired. In her hand is a crossing guard's attesting to this benefit. They have highlighted this benefit and guarantee and the free HMO has been there for 35 years. Ms. Vestergard relates a story about one guard was working for a private company and she had stock options and she took it for the free HMO medical benefit and we did it for the health and welfare of our families and the ten month split shift and it was based on the free HMO.

The Chair asks for other members who wish to speak. Jeff Daniels speaks to the 466 contract and the memorandum they are talking about, Kori found it today. He read it today and he didn't print it. He will get a copy of the last one. It is the one they are talking about. It was there. It was offered to them and we will look at it. We are also looking for your support on 10A.

**Motion to Waive the Rules**


Councilman Serra states if this is not in the contract and it is an MOU, he moves to waive the rules to have the General Counsel come forward. Councilwoman Bartolotta seconds the motion. The vote is unanimous and General Counsel Brig Smith comes forward. Councilman Serra states this might have an effect on the vote on the contract. Attorney Smith responds they have been looking for some time for an email about the free HMO and they could not find it and they did find an MOU that the benefits being offered it is not free HMO's for 15 years of service and it was retirement package and if you retired by 2009, you would get it but after that it was they would follow the CBA for 466. It is an MOU under Debra Milardo. Serra states this was part of the golden handshake. Attorney Smith responds if you took the handshake and left you could get free HMO, but if you staid, you would then follow premium share and cost share and that is what they would get after June, 2009. Councilman Serra asks if it is an ordinance. Attorney Smith states the ordinance was repealed and the CBA trumps the ordinance and personnel rules. Councilwoman Kasper states you are saying the MOU are they covered by the current contract. Attorney Smith states it would not change the language that they would follow the actives. Councilwoman Kasper states they will get health benefits upon retirement. Councilman Giuliano states what would be the status of someone in the work force at the time it was repealed. Attorney Smith replies if they took the handshake, they would get the free HMO and it is part of the bargaining agreement. Councilman Giuliano states they got rid of the ordinance for a lot of reasons. Attorney Smith states the forum for this issue is not here, but the State Labor Board.

The Chair asks if any other member of the public wishes to speak. Ms. Vestergard would like to respond to the attorney; when this was offered, she was working 14 years and 9 months and she could not retire and receive it and we kept our career on this benefit and we are talking about 9 people. We wanted to do this within our City and not go through great lengths and costs to the City. Ms. Adams states in response to the attorney's comment and she hasn't seen the Memo and that doesn't sound like the one I am speaking of. Debra Milardo wrote a memo and stated all those things and it would be looked at on a case by case study.

**6. Public Hearing on Agenda Items Closes.**

The Chair asks if there are any members of the public who wish to speak; seeing none, he closes the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. He states that he and the Office of General Counsel will be reviewing the matter.

**7. Mayor requests Council Clerk to read appropriation and bond ordinance requests and the Certificate of Director of Finance.**  
**Notice**



**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN**

MAYOR'S OFFICE  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING


NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Middletown will be held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on **MONDAY, MAY 4, 2015 at 7 p.m.** to consider and act upon the following:

A. Police Department \$2,579.94, Account No. 1000-18000-53102-0180, Specialized Agency Supplies and Equipment, General Fund.

Any and all persons interested may appear and be heard.

ATTEST:



MAYOR DANIEL T. DREW  
Mayor

Dated at Middletown, Connecticut, 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2015.

The Council Chamber is wheelchair accessible. If you require special accommodations for any meeting, please call the (860) 638-4812 (TDD/TTY) or the Town Clerk's Office at (860) 638-4910 at least ten days prior to the scheduled meeting.

Certificate of Director of Finance

MEMORANDUM

TO: His Honor, Mayor Daniel T. Drew and  
Members of the Common Council

FROM: Finance Department

DATE: April 30, 2015

RE: Certification of Funds

This is to certify that funds sufficient to meet the appropriations requested at your meeting on May 4, 2015 are available as follows:

General Fund	\$2,579.94
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Respectfully submitted,  
  
Carl Erbacher  
Director of Finance &  
Revenue Services

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A. Police Department \$2,579.94, Account No. 1000-18000-53102-0180, Specialized Agency Supplies and Equipment, General Fund.  
(Approved)

Councilman Robert P. Santangelo reads and moves for approval Police Department \$2,579.94, Account No. 1000-18000-53102-0180, Specialized Agency Supplies and Equipment, General Fund. Councilman Thomas J. Serra seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 12 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska, and Councilman David Bauer. The Chair states the matter carried with 12 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and 0 absent.

8. Department, Committee, Commission Reports and Grant Confirmation Approvals:

A. City Clerk's Certificate  
(Approved)



City of Middletown  
City & Town Clerk's Office  
245 deKoven Drive  
Middletown, CT 06457

Certification

I, Linda Bettencourt, City and Town Clerk of the City of Middletown and custodian of the records and seal thereof, hereby certify that all ordinances and appropriations passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the Common Council on April 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. and the special meetings on April 6, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., April 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., and April 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., have been advertised in the local newspaper.

Dated at Middletown, Connecticut, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2015.

Attest:

  
Linda Bettencourt  
City & Town Clerk

B. Monthly Reports:  
Finance Department - Transfer Report to April 24, 2015  
(Approved)

Transfers of Funds - Operating Budget Accounts					
From 12/15 To 4/24/15					
FY 2014-2015					
Date	Department	Budget Item	From Account No.	To Account No.	Amount
04/01/15	PW/Highway	Winter/Snow Overtime	1000-22000-51380-0228		(335,554.92)
	PW/Garage	General Vehicle Services		1000-22000-53510-0225	150,000.00
	PW/Highway	Miscellaneous Overtime		1000-22000-51330-0226	2,000.00
	PW/Garage	Tires		1000-22000-53530-0225	4,000.00
	PW/City Hall	Building Materials		1000-22000-53235-0227-50009	2,500.00
	PW/Highway	Towing		1000-22000-53340-0226	4,000.00
	PW/Parks	Winter/Snow Overtime		1000-22000-51380-0302	9,424.92
	PW/Highway	General Specialized Equipment		1000-22000-53100-0226	165,000.00
04/01/15	Sanitation	Tires	2020-40000-53530		(400.00)
		Contractual Services		2020-40000-55105	400.00
04/01/15	Senior	Repair/Maintenance to Buildings	1000-32000-53380-0130		(150.00)
		Misc Repairs & Maintenance		1000-32000-53280-0130	150.00
04/02/15	IT	Public Safety Network Support	1000-03500-55850		(459.61)
		Salaries & Wages, PT Perm		1000-03500-51215	459.61
04/02/15	Sanitation	General Specialized Equipment	2020-40000-53100		(300.00)
		Uniform Allowance		2020-40000-51950	300.00
04/02/15	Water	Contingency Fund	5000-50000-57020		(3,000.00)
		Contractual Services		5000-50000-55105	3,000.00
04/06/15	PW/Garage	General Vehicle Services	1000-22000-53510-0225		(22,000.00)
	PW/Highway	General Specialized Equipment		1000-22000-53100-0226	20,000.00
	PW/City Hall	Repairs/Maintenance to Building		1000-22000-53380-0227-50009	2,000.00
04/14/15	Fire	Stipends	2010-50000-51371-4500		(2,000.00)
		Prof Develop/Training	2010-50000-51930-4500		(5,000.00)
		Overtime		2010-50000-51340-4500	7,000.00
		Drug, Alcohol, Physicals, Lab Test	2010-50000-55140-4500		(5,000.00)
		Films		2010-50000-51971-4500	5,000.00
04/14/15	Recreation	Salaries & Wages, PT Temp	1000-32000-51220-0321		(1,000.00)
		General Administrative		1000-32000-52110-0321	1,000.00
04/14/15	Fire	Building Materials	2010-50000-53235-4500		(3,500.00)
		Repairs/Maintenance to Bldgs		2010-50000-53380-4500	3,500.00

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	PW/Garage	General Vehicle Services		1000-22000-53510-0225	150,000.00
	PW/Highway	Miscellaneous Overtime		1000-22000-51333-0226	2,000.00
	PW/Garage	Tires		1000-22000-53530-0225	4,000.00
	PW/City Hall	Building Materials		1000-22000-53235-0227-50009	2,500.00
	PW/Highway	Towing		1000-22000-53340-0226	4,000.00
	PW/Parks	Winter/Snow Overtime		1000-22000-51380-0302	9,424.92
	PW/Highway	General Specialized Equipment		1000-22000-53100-0226	165,000.00
04/01/15	Sanitation	Tires	2020-40000-53530		(400.00)
		Contractual Services		2020-40000-55105	400.00
04/01/15	Senior	Repair/Maintenance to Buildings	1000-32000-53380-0130		(150.00)
		Misc Repairs & Maintenance		1000-32000-53280-0130	150.00
04/02/15	IT	Public Safety Network Support	1000-03500-55850		(459.61)
		Salaries & Wages, PT Perm		1000-03500-51215	459.61
04/02/15	Sanitation	General Specialized Equipment	2020-40000-53100		(300.00)
		Uniform Allowance		2020-40000-51950	300.00
04/02/15	Water	Contingency Fund	5000-50000-57020		(3,000.00)
		Contractual Services		5000-50000-55105	3,000.00
04/06/15	PW/Garage	General Vehicle Services	1000-22000-53510-0225		(22,000.00)
	PW/Highway	General Specialized Equipment		1000-22000-53100-0226	20,000.00
	PW/City Hall	Repair/Maintenance to Building		1000-22000-53380-0227-50009	2,000.00
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		Overtime		2010-50000-51340-4500	7,000.00
		Drug, Alcohol, Physicals, Lab Test	2010-50000-55140-4500		(5,000.00)
		Films		2010-50000-51971-4500	5,000.00
04/14/15	Recreation	Salaries & Wages, PT Temp	1000-32000-51220-0321		(1,000.00)
		General Administrative		1000-32000-52110-0321	1,000.00
04/14/15	Fire	Building Materials	2010-50000-53235-4500		(3,500.00)
		Repair/Maintenance to Bldgs		2010-50000-53380-4500	3,500.00

C. Grant Confirmation and Approval - Board of Education, Various Grants

(Approved)

CITY OF MIDDLETOWN  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT 06457

REQUEST FOR COMMON COUNCIL CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL  
OF THE FOLLOWING GRANT

Grant Number:212Date of Request:4/17/2015

Name of Grant:as listed below

Amount Requested:\$327,517.93Code:2450-33000-59405-X-03025

Grant Period: From:7/1/2014To:6/30/2015Rev Code:2450-33000-43480-X-X

Type of Grant:Amount Loaned from General Fund:\$0.00

Department Administering Grant:Middletown Board Of Education

When any department, commission, office or agency is the recipient of any federal, state or other grant allocated for specific purposes, these funds shall be immediately transferred to the specific unit which has made application for such grant. Confirmation and approval of such transfer shall be given at the next regularly scheduled sessions of the Common Council. Notwithstanding any other Charter provision, the action of the Common Council in confirming and approving such transfer shall be an appropriation; no public hearing thereon shall be required and said funds may then be expended for the purposes for which they were granted.

Description of services to be provided by this Grant:

766 - CFMC Kelgwin X Men \$5,000.00; 769 - Middletown Teen Theater \$1,992.58; 771- Pratt & Whitney Women's Council \$1,250.00; 794 - EASTCONN CT - School Health Coord \$3,000.00; 813 - Adult Ed Provider (State) \$(81,324.00); 841 - SPED Medicaid \$9,179.42; 854 - United Way - Youth Serv Dev \$15.60; 878 - Hartford Symphony Donations \$20,599.55; 892 - MYSB X Men WWMS \$2,500.00; 894 - Swaim Strings Pgm \$1,410.00; 700 - Food Services \$73,314.83; 801 - Retirees/COBRA Ins \$231,816.68; 803 - Workers Comp \$22,146.26; 804 Preschool Pgm Fees \$6,639.83; 809 - Maintenance/Rentals \$3,173.15; 823 - Central Office Receipts \$4,189.29; 833 - Adult Education Receipts \$13,262.55; 893 - Fingerprinting Receipts \$182.25; 895 - SPED Tuition Reimbursement \$7,178.24; 901 - Kelgwin Parent Fees \$1,012.00; 902 - Student Activities WWMS \$1,300.00. Total Special Programs through 3/19/15 \$16,140,040.32 ADDITIONS \$327,517.93 Total Special Programs through 4/17/15 \$16,467,558.25.

Signature:Patricia Charles

Requested by:Patricia Charles, ED.D.

Status:

Status Date:

D. Grant Confirmation and Approval - Recreation and Community Services, Elderly and Disabled Demand Responsive Transportation (Approved)

CITY OF MIDDLETOWN  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT 06457

REQUEST FOR COMMON COUNCIL CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL  
OF THE FOLLOWING GRANT

Grant Number:211Date of Request:4/15/2015

Name of Grant:Elderly and Disabled Demand Responsive Transportation

Amount Requested:\$52,031.00Code:3679-32000-55467-x-x-x-x

Grant Period: From:7/1/2014To:6/30/2015Rev Code:3679-32000-45467-x-x-x-x

Type of Grant:stateAmount Loaned from General Fund:\$52,031.00

Department Administering Grant:Recreation & Community Services

When any department, commission, office or agency is the recipient of any federal, state or other grant allocated for specific purposes, these funds shall be immediately transferred to the specific unit which has made application for such grant. Confirmation and approval of such transfer shall be given at the next regularly scheduled sessions of the Common Council. Notwithstanding any other Charter provision, the action of the Common Council in confirming and approving such transfer shall be an appropriation; no public hearing thereon shall be required and said funds may then be expended for the purposes for which they were granted.

Description of services to be provided by this Grant:

Improve elderly and disabled demand responsive transportation in conjunction with Middletown Transit District and the Middletown Senior and Community Center.

Signature:Deb Stanley

Requested by:Deb Stanley

Status:

Status Date:

E. Grant Confirmation and Approval - Health Department, NACCHO (Approved)

CITY OF MIDDLETOWN  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT 06457

REQUEST FOR COMMON COUNCIL CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL  
OF THE FOLLOWING GRANT

Grant Number: 207

Date of Request: 3/25/2015

Name of Grant: NACCHO

Amount Requested: \$3,500.00

Code: 3070-31000-59200-x-03386-2015-x

Grant Period: From: 7/1/2014 To: 6/30/2015

Rev Code: 3070-31000-43242-000-03386-2015-x

Type of Grant: Federal

Amount Loaned from General Fund: \$0.00

Department Administering Grant: Health Department

When any department, commission, office or agency is the recipient of any federal, state or other grant allocated for specific purposes, these funds shall be immediately transferred to the specific unit which has made application for such grant. Confirmation and approval of such transfer shall be given at the next regularly scheduled sessions of the Common Council. Notwithstanding any other Charter provision, the action of the Common Council in confirming and approving such transfer shall be an appropriation; no public hearing thereon shall be required and said funds may then be expended for the purposes for which they were granted.

Description of services to be provided by this Grant:  
to provide training and supplies to the Medical Reserve Corp

Signature: [Signature]

Requested by: Sal Nesci

Status:

Status Date:

F. Grant Confirmation and Approval - Health Department, Kids Safety Expo (Approved)

CITY OF MIDDLETOWN  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT 06457

REQUEST FOR COMMON COUNCIL CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL  
OF THE FOLLOWING GRANT

Grant Number: 208

Date of Request: 3/25/2015

Name of Grant: Kids Safety Expo

Amount Requested: \$2,500.00

Code: 3070-31000-57030-x-03380-x-x

Grant Period: From: 7/1/2014 To: 6/30/2015

Rev Code: 3070-31000-48195-x-x-x-x

Type of Grant: local

Amount Loaned from General Fund: \$0.00

Department Administering Grant: Health Department

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Description of services to be provided by this Grant:  
Middletown Kids Health & Safety Day: offer education information about wellness, interactive exhibits, health screenings, child identification, etc. - Middlesex Eye Physicians \$2,500 donation

Signature: [Signature]

Requested by: Sal Nesci

Status:

Status Date:

G. Grant Confirmation and Approval - Police Department, JAG

(Approved)

CITY OF MIDDLETOWN

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT 06457

REQUEST FOR COMMON COUNCIL CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL

OF THE FOLLOWING GRANT

Grant Number:	210	Date of Request:	4/15/2015
Name of Grant:	JAG Violent Crime Prevention		
Amount Requested:	\$30,000.00	Code:	3580-1800-59200-0180-03069-2015
Grant Period:	From: 4/15/2015 To: 12/31/2015	Rev Code:	3580-1800-49242-0180-03069-2015
Type of Grant:	State	Amount Loaned from General Fund:	\$30,000.00
Department Administering Grant:	Police Department		

When any department, commission, office or agency is the recipient of any federal, state or other grant allocated for specific purposes, these funds shall be immediately transferred to the specific unit which has made application for such grant. Confirmation and approval of such transfer shall be given at the next regularly scheduled sessions of the Common Council. Notwithstanding any other Charter provision, the action of the Common Council in confirming and approving such transfer shall be an appropriation; no public hearing thereon shall be required and said funds may then be expended for the purposes for which they were granted.

Description of services to be provided by this Grant:  
This is a 100% reimbursible grant from the State of CT Office of Policy and Management. It will be used for equipment and technology items needed for the Department. Some of these items include SWAT helmets, emergency/tactical medical kits, cameras, and weapon sights.

Signature:

Requested by: Chief William McKeena

Status:

Status Date:

H. City's Affirmative Action 3rd Quarter Hiring Report - Human Relations (Approved)

City of Middletown

Memorandum

To: Mayor Daniel T. Drew

From: Faith M. Jackson, Human Relations Director & Affirmative Action Officer

Date: April 9, 2015

Re: The City of Middletown 2014/2015 Recruitment Hiring Report - 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report

Attached is the 2014/2015 third quarter recruitment hiring report for the City of Middletown for your review and approval. For the third quarter, a total of eleven people were hired: (1) Hispanic Male, (4) White Females and (6) White Males. Job opportunities fell under the following categories: EEO-2 Professionals, EEO-4 Protective Services, EEO-6 Administrative Services, EEO-7 Skilled Craft, and EEO-8 Service Maintenance. Hiring this quarter occurred in the following departments: Board of Education, Police, and Public Works. The City achieved three of its set goals, (1) Hispanic Male and (2) White Females. Of the new hires, 45% were from the protected class, one Hispanic Male and four White Females.

Even though the City does not hire a large number of new employees, it continues to demonstrate its good faith efforts to hire a diverse workforce. If you have any questions or would like further explanation of this report, please call me at extension 4830. Thank you.

c: Kathleen Morey, Human Resources Director

Common Council

Affirmative Action Monitoring Committee

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Attachments

Approve: 4/14/15

Decline:

Other:

HUMAN RELATIONS DEPARTMENT  
245 deKoven Drive Middletown, CT 06457-1300  
TEL: (860) 638-4830 FAX: (860) 638-1630



Memorandum

To: Daniel T. Drew, Mayor, City of Middletown  
From: Faith M. Jackson, Human Relations Director and Affirmative Action Officer  
Date: April 9, 2015  
Re: City of Middletown Affirmative Action 2014/2015 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Hiring Results

Total Goals set for 2014/2015 ~ (45):  
A1-EE01 - \*1WF, 1HM, 1HF, 1OF  
B2-EE02 - \*2WF, 1BM, 1BF, 1HF, 1OF  
C3-EE03 - 1WF, 1BM, 1BF, 1OM  
D4-EE04 - 1WF, 2BM, 1BF, 1HM, 1OM, 1OF  
E5-EE05 - 1BM, 1BF, 1HM, 1OF  
F6-EE06 - \*2WF, \*1BM, 2BF, 1HF, 1OM, 1OF  
G7-EE07 - 1WF, 1BM, 1HM, 1OM  
H8-EE08 - 2WF, 1BM, 1BF, \*1HM, 1HF, 1OM, \*1OF

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Hires/Promotions/Terminations/Transfers/Other Results January, February, and March 2015

	Total	WM	WF	BM	BF	HM	HF	AM	AF	AIM	AIF	OM	OF
New Hires:	11	2C 4BE	*2BE 2BE			*1C							
Promotions:	2	2C											
Transfers	2				1C 1BE								
Demotions:													
Reclassifications:													
Terminations/ Other:	1	1QC											

Definitions: L - Layoffs  
LA - Leave of Absence  
O - Other  
Q - Quit  
R - Retired  
C - City  
BE - Board of Education  
T - Terminated  
Memorandum of Understanding ~ Labor Agreement

EEO Key: EEO1 (A-1) - Officials/Administrators  
EEO2 (B-2) - Professionals  
EEO3 (C-3) - Technicians  
EEO4 (D-4) - Protective Service  
EEO5 (E-5) - Para-Professionals  
EEO6 (F-6) - Administrative Support  
EEO7 (G-7) - Skilled Craft  
EEO8 (H-8) - Service/Maintenance

Ethnic Codes: WM - White Male  
WF - White Female  
BM - Black Male  
BF - Black Female  
HM - Hispanic Male  
HF - Hispanic Female  
AM - Asian/Pacific Islander Male  
AF - Asian/Pacific Islander Female  
AIM - American Indian/Alaskan Native Male  
AIF - American Indian/Alaskan Native Female  
OM - Other Male  
OF - Other Female

\*Achieved Established Goal  
\*\* Achieved a Minority Hire

c: Affirmative Action Monitoring Committee, Common Council, and Personnel Department

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Affirmative Action Recruitment Hiring Goals 2014-2015  
3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Hiring Results  
January, February, and March 2015

EEO Category/Number of Goals (45)	Position(s) Available	Number of Available	Goal(s) Achieved
	Y/N	Position(s)	Y/N
EE01 - Officials/Administrator (4) *1WF, 1HM, 1HF, 1OF	N	--	--
EE02 - Professional (6) *2WF, 1BM, 1BF, 1HF, 1OF	Y	1	N 1 WF
EE03 - Technician (4) 1WF, 1BM, 1BF, 1OM	N	--	--
EE04 - Protective Services (7) 1WF, 2BM, 1BF, 1HM, 1OM, 1OF	Y	1	N 1 WM
EE05 - Paraprofessionals (4) 1BM, 1BF, 1HM, 1OF	N	--	--
EE06 - Administrative Services (8) *2WF, 1BM, 2BF, 1HF, 1OM, 1OF	Y	3	Y *2 WF, 1WF
EE07 - Skilled Craft (4) 1WF, 1BM, 1HM, 1OM	Y	1	N 1 WM
EE08 - Service Maintenance (8) 2WF, 1BM, 1BF, *1HM, 1HF, 1OM, 1OF	Y	5	Y *1 HM, 4 WM
Total Hires		11	

\*Achieved Established Goal(s)  
\*\* Achieved a Minority Hire(s)

Ethnic Codes: WM - White Male  
WF - White Female  
BM - Black Male  
BF - Black Female  
HM - Hispanic Male  
HF - Hispanic Female  
AM - Asian/Pacific Islander Male  
AF - Asian/Pacific Islander Female  
AIM - American Indian/Alaskan Native Male  
AIF - American Indian/Alaskan Native Female  
OM - Other Male  
OF - Other Female

The following report reflects the 2014-2015 third quarter hiring results. During this quarter, the City hired 11 employees, one Hispanic Male, four White Females, and six White Males. The City achieved three of its set goals, two white females in EE02- Administrative Services, both in the Board of Ed, and one Hispanic Male in EEO8 - Service Maintenance in Public Works. Of the 11 new hires, 45% were from the protected class, one Hispanic Male and four White Females. For this quarter, hiring occurred in the following departments: Board of Ed, Police, and Public Works.

Respectfully submitted by,  
  
Faith M. Jackson, Human Relations Director and  
Affirmative Action Officer

Councilman Thomas J. Serra reads and moves for approval the Department, Committee, Commission Reports and Grant Confirmation Approvals, including agenda items 8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E, 8F, 8G, and 8H. Councilman Carl R. Chisem seconds the motion. There is no discussion. The chair calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with 12 aye votes. The chair states the matter passes unanimously with 12 affirmative votes.

**9. Payment of all City bills when properly approved.  
(Approved)**

Councilman Thomas J. Serra moves for approval Payment of all City bills when properly approved. Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska; 1 nay vote by Councilman David Bauer and 0 absent. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 1 in opposition and 0 absent.

**Motion to Recess**

Councilwoman Bartolotta moves for a five minute recess and her motion is seconded by Councilman Serra. The vote is called and it is unanimous to approve with 12 aye votes. The Chair declares the meeting in recess at 7:50 p.m.

**Meeting Reconvenes**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 7:58 p.m. The Chair states for the Council's edification, the crossing guards will meet with General Counsel through their Union and look at the situation and whether or not we have the existing liability. We will meet with them. Thanks them for coming and wishes your family well. Councilwoman Bartolotta thanks the Mayor for the information.

**10. Resolutions, Ordinances, etc.:**

- A. Approving the agreement between the City of Middletown and Local #466 as negotiated covering the period between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2017 and authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

**Resolution No. 46-15**

**File Name** gcc466contractapproval;

**(Approved)**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:** That the Common Council approves and adopts the Agreement between the City of Middletown, Connecticut and Local #466, Council 4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, as negotiated, including all associated costs, covering the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Mayor of the City of Middletown is hereby authorized to sign said Agreement on behalf of the City of Middletown.

Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta reads and moves for approval the agreement between the City of Middletown and Local #466 as negotiated covering the period between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2017 and authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City. Councilman Thomas J. Serra seconds the motion.

Councilman Streeto was going to ask what your honor just stated to look into this much further and the crossing guards have sympathy from this body and asks that it be looked into and with that he will support the agreement. Councilman Faulkner states he hasn't looked at all the contract and speaks to issues and gets concerned with longevity in the contracts and benefits in question. Councilwoman Russo Driska states the Labor Management section she has issues with it in the contract and she is not comfortable about an up or down vote of all the jobs and the two year freeze concerns her especially since they don't have the job study. There is no appeals process and she will not support the contract based on that.

Councilman Daley states he has some concerns on the changes in the proposed contract on the Labor Management. I can see plusses and minuses to the change and will choose to think the process will be better and the package to vote on and it would influence the process in a positive way and give us more clear cases to vote on and one other point to the former comments the two year hiatus starts with the effect date of the agreement and we are through one year already. I think overall it is a good unit and negotiated in good faith and therefore the wage provisions are within reason when you consider what other bargaining sessions have come in at and the Council should support this particularly since they have not had an increase for almost a year.

Councilman Giuliano, like Councilman Daley, doesn't take a lot of issue with most of the contract, but like Councilwoman Russo Driska, he does have concerns on the Labor Management Committee with an up or down vote on a package and this takes away the Council's authority to vote on each. The impression he got this is not something from the inside and I can't go along with the Council surrendering the authority under the contract and this contract would supersede the charter and we should not give it away unless there is a compelling reason and that has not been made.

Councilwoman Kasper had concerns about this but if you look at the contract as a whole, she will support the contract and agrees with Councilman Streeto and the Mayor that they should sit down to look at the crossing guards issue. Councilwoman Bartolotta, speaking to the Labor Management process, she is one of two that refused to vote on the jobs because of the process. She waivers back and forth on the up or down vote and she spoke to Union Management and how it was brought up. The city brought it to the table and the Union agreed to it and she will go along with the Union with the expectation that they will not allow mediocre job changes to go through. The study itself will be a positive start for the future to have fair representation. She will support the contract.

Councilwoman Russo Driska thanks the Chair for allowing her to speak again and states I agree that you won't let mediocre jobs get through and if you have to vote it up or down, then you would have to vote them down including the good ones. The crossing guard issue is that MOU's are supposed to be addressed in the next contract and if there was one, it should have been looked at and put into the contract. People deserve their raises and this is all or nothing vote on the contract and she is voting no for those two reasons.

Councilwoman Bartolotta states if we believe in the process, when it comes forward, it should be ready to go and voted on. She thinks it will represent everyone evenly and to the comments made that Councilwoman Driska was part of the process and believes in it then the Council should believe in it and vote the right way. Councilman Daley states those are important words just stated and believing in it. Only a few of us go back before the labor management process and you want to see real problems, it came to three council members in committee and then the council. The Charter gave the council the authority to adopt the descriptions and pay grades. The Council as the soul entity was not working and the labor management process was an improvement and he hopes it will work more effectively going forward.

Councilman Serra states the key to the Labor Management group is the members of the group and ethics have to be high on the management and labor side and the neutral so no politics are being played. This is a fair contract in terms of compensation. He will support it.

The chair states the intended restructure was that everyone could put in for a lottery and dozens of jobs could be put in. Everyone put in all the time. With this system it gives someone one chance per contract period. There is incentive to only bring it forward if there is compelling reason. Thanks them for support and he appreciates the work our city workers do.

The chair calls for the vote. It is 8 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto; 4 nay votes by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska, Councilman David Bauer and 0 absent. The Chair states the matter carried with 8 affirmative votes, 4 in opposition and 0 absent.

B. Approving granting 30 days advanced sick leave to Esther Blade, School Secretary III.

#### **Resolution No.47-15**

**File Name gccbladesickadvance**

**(Approved)**

Whereas, Esther Blade is currently a School Secretary III who has been employed with the City of Middletown since June 1998; and

Whereas, Esther Blade has been out of work due to illness and she has exhausted all of her accrued sick and vacation time, as well as all sick time that was advanced by the Mayor; Now therefore

Be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Middletown:  
That Esther Blade shall be granted a 30-day advanced sick leave.

Councilman Gerald E. Daley reads and moves for approval granting 30 days advanced sick leave to Esther Blade, School Secretary III. Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is 11 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilwoman Sandra Russo Driska, Councilman David Bauer; 0 nay votes and one abstention by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano. The Chair states the matter carried with 11 affirmative votes, 0 in opposition and one abstention.

C. Approving the Community Development Block Grants for the 2015 Entitlement Year as outlined in the resolution and authorizing the Mayor to submit a new Consolidated Plan and the 2015 Annual Action Plan to receive the \$405,851 CDBG entitlement Funding.

#### **Resolution No. 48-15**

**File Name PCD\_2015\_CDBG\_Entitlement\_Approved**

**(Amended and Approved)**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Middletown receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds from the US Department of Housing & Urban Development as an entitlement community, and

**WHEREAS**, the final rule was published on January 5, 1995 in the Federal Register for the Consolidated Submission for Community Planning & Development Programs; and,

**WHEREAS**, the ongoing receipt of CDBG funds is conditioned upon the drafting and adoption of a Five Year Consolidated Plan of Housing and Community Development under federal regulations [24 CFR 91.1(a) (2)], and the drafting and adoption of an Annual Action Plan; and,

**WHEREAS**, such a Consolidated Plan amendment and 2015 Annual Action Plan have been properly drafted and subject to due review by the public and by the Citizens' Advisory Committee pursuant to the HUD final rule; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Citizens' Advisory Committee has seen fit to recommend approval and adoption of this Consolidated Plan amendment,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Middletown expects to received \$405,851 in Community Development Block Grant funds for the 2015 entitlement year ; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:** That the following 2015 Entitlement appropriations are hereby approved:

Organization	Program/Project	Grant Amount
St. Vincent De Paul Middletown	Amazing Grace Food Distribution Initiative	\$7,500.00
Gilead Community Services Inc.	Farm Hill Rd. Generator	\$15,400.00
Community Services Inc.	Replacement Windows	\$6,000.00
Gilead Community Services Inc.	Replacement Roof	\$16,200.00
Russell Library	Job and Career Program	\$5,000.00
Middlesex County Coalition on Homelessness	Warming Center	\$10,000.00
Oddfellows Playhouse	Jobs for Creative Youth	\$5,500.00
Columbus House	Middletown HOPWA	\$ 0
Northern Middlesex YMCA	Men's Residence Room Rehab	\$7,500.00
Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce	Worker Prep Program	\$18,377.00
North End Action Team Inc.	Community Food Initiative	\$9,500.00
Young's Printing	Jobs	\$5,000.00
City of Middletown	CDBG Program Administration	\$75,000.00
Aces Early Head Start	Playground & Surface Material	\$50,000.00
Harding & Harding	Hogan House Building Repair	\$104,000.00
Allen's Abatement	Job Training	\$70,874.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Mayor, as Chief Executive Officer of the City of Middletown, is hereby authorized to submit a new *Consolidated Plan* and *the 2015 Annual Action Plan* to access the \$405,851 in CDBG entitlement funding.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That a new Consolidated Plan may be approved to reflect Community Development Block Grant programs approved by the Common Council and changing priorities of present and future potential grant recipients.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** The CDBG program allows for 20% of the entitlement amount to fund program administration which is used to offset the salary and operating costs to run the program. Staff time and associated costs to oversee these projects are fund with a \$75,000 reimbursement to the City through the CDBG program.

The Chair recognizes Councilwoman Russo Driska who recuses herself from this vote due to a conflict with an employee in the department.

Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr. reads and moves for approval the Community Development Block Grants for the 2015 Entitlement Year as outlined in the resolution and authorizing the Mayor to submit a new Consolidated Plan and the 2015 Annual Action Plan to receive the \$405,851 CDBG entitlement Funding. Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper seconds the motion.

**Motion to Amend**

Councilman Daley proposes amendments to the amount of funding for the programs. He proposes reducing the Russell Library award from \$10,000 to \$5,000; amend the award to the Columbus House program from \$4,377 to -0- and move to increase the award for Middlesex Chamber of Commerce Worker Preparation Program from \$9,000 to \$18,377. Councilman Serra seconds these amendments.

Councilman Daley states I feel the purpose of this is not to deny funding or reduce for but to maintain the worker preparation program to almost the current funding. It is an important part of the economic development for the city and we should do what we can to keep funding as close to the current level. With respect to Russell Library, it is a good program and we hope to give money to them in the budget for that program. The Columbus House it is a good program and worthy of recommendation and it is a new program that has not been funded and it is a modest amount. We can only move money around in certain areas and there are caps on funding for administration and public service. That is the reason for the amendment and he hopes the members of Council will support it. Councilman Giuliano will not support the amendment and why we are not voting up or down on this one. The members of CAC heard all the presentations and reviewed all the items and they deliberated and came up with a recommendation. Unless we have a good reason and believe they were wrong we should support the recommendations they made and the director stood by these recommendations. We have a right to do this and we should not do it unless there is a good reason. Councilman Bauer states Giuliano stated my sentiments and I can't add anything more. Councilwoman Kleckowski sits on CAC and it is very important when we have citizen groups that we respect the work they did. People come in and give a quick over view and when dealing with volunteers unless there is a glaring reason not to support it. We respect the MCA when they give out their grants. Councilman Faulkner states it is a tough decision as a member of the Committee he was

not there and there are new people and part of what he talks about is that we do want to hear their opinions and know other things are going on and as Council we know the greater community and he knew there was going to be an issue. I don't know if I would have chosen the entities they chose. I am happy that there are new organizations into the mix. He would encourage the organizations that didn't get funded to come back next year. Councilman Serra states he will support this knowing the success of the programs they have taken over from the City of Middletown. They are successful and need the money from this amendment and this Council is exercising their discretion; we have amended this resolution many times over. The summer youth employment program, they had 40 individuals and now they have 90. They just got another \$5,000 from Jarvis. He will support this. They do a great job. Councilman Bauer appreciates the amount of praise for the chamber but will still vote no because they could not make the case for a group of unbiased volunteers and he tends to respect the citizen volunteers with the hard work they come up with. Councilman Daley does not take lightly proposing these amendments to modify the recommendations of the CAC. We owe them appreciation that they took \$800,000 in requests and narrowed it down to the \$400,000 we were awarded. He has firsthand knowledge of the benefits they have realized from the worker preparation program and it is the epitome of what CDBG community block grant funding is and we should support that program and maintain the funding as close to what it has been receiving. Councilman Giuliano responds that you don't have to sell me on what it does but if it is providing a benefit to the city of Middletown then we should deal with that directly as opposed to using a competitive block grant to pay for that benefit. He will reject the amendments.

The Chair calls for the vote on the motion to amend: Councilwoman Russo Driska has recused herself. There are eight aye votes by Council Members Serra, Bartolotta, Kasper, Santangelo, Faulkner, Chisem, Daley, and Streeto; and three nay votes by Council Members Giuliano, Kleckowski, and Bauer. The Chair states the amendment carries with 8 affirmative votes, 4 in opposition and one not voting. The Chair asks if there is any discussion on the underlying motion. Hearing none, he calls for the vote. It is 7 aye votes by Councilman Thomas J. Serra, Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper, Councilman Robert P. Santangelo, Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr., Councilman Carl R. Chisem, Councilman Gerald E. Daley, Councilman James Streeto; 3 nay votes by Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano, Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski, Councilman David Bauer and 1 abstention by Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta. Councilwoman Russo Driska has recused herself from discussion and vote. The Chair states the matter carried with 7 affirmative votes, 3 in opposition, 1 abstention and 1 recusal.

- D. Approving the Water Department Transfer in the amount of \$65,000 from the Water Operations Fund Balance to CNR Water Meter Automation Line Item 5010-60000-79568-0000-00000-2015.

#### **Resolution No.49-15**

**File Name** Wateroperationsfundbalancetransfermeter

**(Approved)**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:** That the Common Council approves the following transfer in the Water Department budget:

<i>From:</i>	Water Operations Fund Balance (5000)	\$65,000
<i>To:</i>	CNR Water Meter Automation 5010-60000-79568-0000-00000-2015-000	\$65,000

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact.

Councilwoman Hope P. Kasper reads and moves for approval the Water Department Transfer in the amount of \$65,000 from the Water Operations Fund Balance to CNR Water Meter Automation Line Item 5010-60000-79568-0000-00000-2015. Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr. seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with 12 aye votes. The chair states the matter passes unanimously with 12 affirmative votes.

- E. Approving authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with the State of Connecticut Historic Preservation Office entitled Easements, Declaration of Covenants, and Declaration of Preservation Restrictions for the Eckersley-Hall Project.

#### **Resolution No. 50-15**

**File Name** ehallbldcommeseament; easement

**(Approved)**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Connecticut, acting by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), is requesting an Easement entitled EASEMENTS, DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, AND DECLARATION OF PRESERVATION RESTRICTIONS, to guarantee the preservation of the historical and architectural qualities of the Eckersley Hall Property and to impose on the Property "preservation restrictions" as that term is used in Section 47-42a(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVEDBY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:** That Daniel T. Drew, who is the Mayor of the City of Middletown, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of this municipality a certain contract with the State of Connecticut, Department of Economic and Community Development, and to affix the corporate seal, if any.

Councilman Thomas J. Serra reads and moves for approval authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with the State of Connecticut Historic Preservation Office entitled Easements, Declaration of Covenants, and Declaration of Preservation Restrictions for the Eckersley-Hall Project. Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr. seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with 12 aye votes. The chair states the matter passes unanimously with 12 affirmative votes.

- F. Approving closing the 2003 Road Bond and transferring the remaining funds of \$447.47 to Debt Service.

**Resolution No. 51-15**

**File Name**

**(Approved)**

Whereas, The City of Middletown has met all obligations concerning the following funds.

Therefore, Be It Resolved By the Common Council of The City of Middletown that: The following funds be closed and any monies remaining be transferred to Debt Service.

4750	Road Bond 2003	\$ 447.47
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Financial Impact: No financial impact.

Councilman Carl R. Chisem reads and moves for approval closing the 2003 Road Bond and transferring the remaining funds of \$447.47 to Debt Service. Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with 12 aye votes. The chair states the matter passes unanimously with 12 affirmative votes.

- G. Approving the building permit refund to Trinity Solar Systems for work at 84 Rolling Green in the amount of \$471.58

**Resolution No. 52-15**

**File Name** pwblldgprmrtrfnd84 rollinggreen

**(Approved)**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF MIDDLETOWN:**

That a Building Permit Refund be issued to Trinity Solar Systems, for a property located at 84 Rolling Green, Middletown, CT in the amount of \$471.58 due to cancellation of work.

Councilman James Streeto reads and moves for approval the building permit refund to Trinity Solar Systems for work at 84 Rolling Green in the amount of \$471.58. Councilman Grady L. Faulkner, Jr. seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is unanimous to approve with 12 aye votes. The chair states the matter passes unanimously with 12 affirmative votes.

**11. Mayor's Appointments.**

Appointments Amended

The Chair states he has several appointments and he would request a motion to waive the reading.

Councilman Thomas J. Serra states he will move them for approval first and then waive the reading of all but the appointment of Anthony R. J. Moran; Councilman Sebastian N. Giuliano seconds the motion. The Chair calls for the vote and it is unanimous.

He recognizes Anthony Moran. He asks him to come forward and states he is a Middletown High School student, a bright young man and dedicated to the community. He sits as a student representative on the Commission on the Arts and he is appointing him to Urban Forestry this evening. He cares about the City and the environment and as a senior at the high school he came in and requested a copy of the revenue and expenditure budgets from the City. He is a distinguished member of the Mattabassett FFA which is a distinguished program in Middletown. He thanks him.

The Chair states a motion has been made and seconded and calls for the vote. It is eleven affirmative votes by Council Members Serra, Bartolotta, Kasper, Santangelo, Faulkner, Chisem, Daley, Streeto, Giuliano, Russo Driska, and Kleckowski and one nay vote by Councilman Bauer. The Chair states the matters pass with eleven affirmative votes and one in opposition.

**12. Contingency Fund Transfers (None)**

**13. Meeting adjourned.**

Councilwoman Mary A. Bartolotta moves to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Deborah A. Kleckowski seconds the motion. The chair calls for the vote. It is unanimous to adjourn with 12 aye votes. The chair adjourns the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

ATTEST:

MARIE O. NORWOOD  
COMMON COUNCIL CLERK